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OFFICE OF PREVENTION, PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

MEMORANDUM

Date/Time: September 26, 2019: 2:00 p.m.

Subject: Meeting Minutes: EPA meets with the Triazine Network and Syngenta

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Environmental Fate and Effects Division

Participants: EPA: Alexandra Dunn; Tate Bennett; Edward Messina; Marietta

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Mills and Derrick Bolen USDA: Sheryl Kunickis

Members of the **Triazine Network** (by phone)

Syngenta Crop Protection: Richard Brain, Mark White

Meeting Summary:

On September 26, 2019, EPA met with several members of the Triazine Network and Syngenta Crop Protection to discuss the animal toxicity data and comments submitted on EPA's Draft Atrazine Ecological Risk Assessment (June 2016). The Triazine Network had submitted comments on the ecological risk assessment and Syngenta submitted new studies completed subsequent to the completion of the risk assessment. The major discussion topics were the review of the details of comments and concerns, and a request for information on how EPA intended to consider these comments and additional data. The focus of the meeting was on toxicity data surrounding birds, amphibians, and fish.

EPA noted it is currently preparing a Preliminary Interim Decision (PID) and Response to Comments (RTC) document in support of Registration Review for atrazine. In addition, the EPA is preparing a draft Biological Evaluation for atrazine that is scheduled for release in August 2020. EPA has considered public comments for the PID and intends to more fully integrate any comments received on the draft ecological risk assessment, particularly new study submissions, in the Biological Evaluation for atrazine under the Endangered Species Act.